GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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POOR QUALITY OF FOODGRAINS
BALIRAM

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of complaints received regarding supply of poor quality foodgrains from the godowns of Food Corporation of India situated in the various States of the country during the last three years; (

(b) the name of the regional office or godown regarding which maximum number of complaints have been received; and (

(c) the action taken by the Government thereon so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(SHRI SRIRAM CHAUHAN)

(a) Number of complaints regarding supply of poor quality of foodgrains received in the Ministry during the last three years is given below :-

1997-98	4
1998-99	5
1999-2000	8
Total	17

(b) Most of these complaints pertain to supply of rice procured and dispatched from Punjab region.

(c) The Food Corporation of India has been directed to ensure supply of only goodquality of foodgrains, free of insect infestation and strictly conforming to PFA standards for distribution under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS).